

NO CHANGE IN WRA POLICY-MEYER

DISPATCH INTERVIEWS NEW NATIONAL CHIEF

In an interview with the Tulean Dispatch, Dillon Meyer, who succeeds Milton S. Eisenhower as national director of the War Relocation Authority, declared that the change of director will not affect the organization or its policy unless such a change is considered necessary from the national standpoint. Meyer was in Tule Lake last weekend on his tour of the west coast relocation centers.

Some of the questions asked by the Tulean Dispatch and Meyer's answers follow:

Q: Is it the policy of the W.R.A. to have the Project enterprises under Japanese hand?

A: Yes. Mr. Shirrell will be able to supervise and encourage any such undertakings.

Q: How far can Japanese go in initiating cooperative movement. Both consumer and producer cooperatives?

A: It will depend on facilities and experience. Some restraint will be considered under governmental supervision.

Q: Has the W.R.A. considered rehabilitation of the Japanese colonists after the war?

A: It is still in formative stage. No detail has ever been planned by the W.R.A., but it will assume responsibility for such a move. If it is feasible after the war, employment by the U.S. government and some small movement for rehabilitation may be considered.

Q: Does the W.R.A. approve of the student relocation plan?

A: Very much so. A list of approved colleges may be increased to permit as many students as possible to continue their education.



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TOTAL COLONISTS, 9166: 'WHITE ZONE' MEN NEXT



NEW DIRECTOR

Elmer L. Shirrell, who was acting project director, was officially appointed Director of the Tule Lake project by Dillon S. Meyer, newly-appointed national director of W.R.A., with recommendation from former director Rachford.

Shirrell, a native of Santa Barbara, is 52 years old, and was in the publishing business, working for Doubleday Doran & Co. before taking over the W.R.A. job April 15. Spending a week in Parker, Ariz., the director has been in Tule Lake since April 23.

A U.C. graduate, majoring in political science, Shirrell has been in educational activities since his graduation in 1914. He was in the World War as sergeant of the 364th Infantry, 91st Division, of the A.E.F.

With the latest arrivals from Salinas, Montana, and Idaho entering the Tule Lake Relocation Center over the Fourth of July week-end, the total population was boosted to a new high of 9,166 residents.

The next influx of evacuees will take place from the Military No. 2 zone, surrounding Marysville, starting the 10th of this month and the Center's roster of residents is expected to be increased by approximately 1,800 persons with the arrival of the contingent.

Beginning July 16, 4,800 residents of the Pinedale Assembly Center will transfer to this Center. Approximately 10 days will require completion of this movement.

EX-STATE WORKERS TO MEET AT ONCE

All former California State employees, who are being represented by James C. Purcell, San Francisco attorney in their present action to safeguard their civil service status against the charges of the State Personnel Board, are requested to see either Sumio Miyamoto (3213-B) or Dave Okada (3206-A) at once.

NOTIFY TULE LAKE ADDRESS TO YOUR BANK

Colonists are asked to notify their respective banks of new addresses.